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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Soliman, et al. Group Art Unit: 2128

Serial No.: 10/728,295

Examiner: Gebresilassie, Klibrom K.

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Title: "Method for Geomechanical

§ Docket No.: 2003-IP-011150U1 Fracture Modeling"

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION **MAILED NOVEMBER 16, 2007**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed November 16, 2007, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections set forth in the Office Action. The threemonth shorted statutory period expired on February 15, 2008. Applicants request a two-month extension of time to extend the period for reply to April 15, 2008. This Response is therefore timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the "Listing of Claims," which begins on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this Response.